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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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TAMIL DEPARTMENT IN CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Universities having separate Tamil Departments:

(b) whether there is any proposal to introduce Tamil Departments in all the universities;

(c) if so. the details thereof: and

(d) if not. [he reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (d): According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission, while only one Central University, namely. Pondicherry University, has a separate Tamil Department. Tamil is taught as a subject in six Central Universities - `Pondicherry University. Aligarh Muslim University. Banaras Hindu University. University of Delhi. University of Hyderabad and Visva Bharati

No proposal from any Centra! University seeking establishment of a separate Tamil Department therein has been received for obtaining necessary appro\al of the Visitor in terms of the statutory provisions in this behalf.